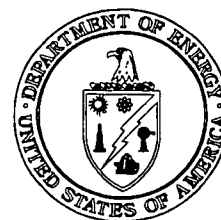




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Dear Mr. Saric and Mr. Schneider:

TRANSMITTAL OF THE FINAL CERTIFICATION REPORT FOR AREA 3A AND AREA 3B

- References:
- 1) Letter DOE-0087-05, W. Taylor to J. Saric and T. Schneider, "Transmittal of the Draft Certification Report for Area 3A and Area 3B," dated December 14, 2004
 - 2) Letter, J. Saric to J. Reising, "Areas 3A and 3B Certification Report," dated January 6, 2005
 - 3) Letter, T. Schneider to W. Taylor, "Certification Report for Area 3A and Area 3B," dated January 31, 2005
 - 4) Letter DOE-0061-04, W. Taylor to P. Pardi, "Certification of Closure of Fernald Closure Project Hazardous Waste Management Units," dated December 23, 2003
 - 5) Letter, P. Harris to W. Taylor, "U.S. DOE Letter Dated 12/23/2003; Mr. W. Taylor, DOE, to Mr. P. Pardi, Ohio EPA; Certification of Closure of Fernald Closure Project Hazardous Waste Management Units," dated February 18, 2004

Enclosed for your approval is the final Certification Report for Area 3A and Area 3B. The draft report was approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and conditionally approved by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) as noted in the references above.

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The final Certification Report for Area 3A and Area 3B was revised to include the complete data set for Certification Unit A3A-C15 in Appendix B as committed in the draft Certification Report and as requested by OEPA in Reference 3. Based your prior approvals, restoration work has been initiated in these areas.

In your final approval of this Certification Report, please also confirm your concurrence of the completion of all the field activities required to achieve closure of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Hazardous Waste Management Unit (HWMU) #20 (Plant 1 Pad) within Area 3B as presented in the report with associated data and statistical analyses according to the OEPA HWMU Closure Guidelines. Your approval of the future Operable Unit 5 Interim Remedial Action Report will serve as the formal closure certification statement for this HWMU (References 4 and 5).

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Johnny Reising at (513) 648-3139.

Sincerely,


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Director

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Enclosure: As Stated

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